



# High Plains WARRIOR

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## News briefs

### Inspection outbrief

The outbrief by the Air Force Space Command Inspector General team is at 10 a.m. Monday in the three-bay hangar.

Evaluators will brief the results of the nuclear surety, operational readiness and compliance inspections.

Due to limited parking, people are encouraged to take one of the shuttles to the event. Shuttles will run from 9 to 10 a.m. They will also be running from 11 a.m. to noon following the outbrief.

Two shuttles will run from the north side of Bldg. 500 between civil engineers and Bldg. 500.

A third shuttle will pick up passengers at the main entrance of the clinic.

Free food and beverages are available following the outbrief.

### MPF closed Monday

The military personnel flight is closed Monday for the NSI/ORI outbrief and squadron function. Customer service will be open for emergencies, or call 731-4155.

### Paint disclosures

Capehart, Wherry and relocatable housing residents are receiving information packets in the mail due to recent changes in guidance concerning lead-based paint disclosures.

Some of the information is similar or the same as information provided upon housing assignment.

Residents must acknowledge receipt and return required mail as soon as possible.

Direct all questions to the housing office at 731-3056 or 731-4623.



Photo by SSgt Janice Cannon

### Got ID?

An intruder is detained by security forces in the weapons storage area while TSgt Thomas Nesbit, 341st Security Forces Squadron, calls to verify the man's identification during the nuclear surety inspection.

## 40th HF rescue Crew saves hiker

By 2d Lt Shannon Nyberg  
Public affairs office

A crew from the 40th Helicopter Flight rescued an injured hiker Sunday who fell about 100 feet and was stranded on a 24-inch ledge for five hours in Blodgett Canyon near Hamilton.

A mercy flight helicopter crew from St. Patrick's Hospital in Missoula was the first on the scene. But the crew was unable to move Zachary Roberts, 22, because its helicopter lacked a hoist. The mercy flight crew was able to drop off a nurse to stabilize Roberts, who suffered a fractured arm and hand, broken ribs and numerous abrasions.

The Ravalli County Dispatch asked Malmstrom's 40th HF to rescue the injured hiker. A crew of three from the helicopter flight and two medical technicians from the 341st Medical Group arrived at Blodgett Canyon at 5:20 p.m. SSgt John R. McNamara, one of the medical technicians was lowered on a 100-foot hoist to the victim.

"The pilot had to hover very precisely because they were near the rock wall of the canyon," said Maj Roger Dellinger, 40th HF commander. While the rotor wash from the blades of the helicopter whipped the air under the Huey, the crew's flight engineer, TSgt Delbert Champ, lowered the med tech and a metal stretcher to the narrow ledge.

The hiker was then hoisted into the helicopter. After Roberts was safely onboard, the aircraft commander, Capt Mark L. Hudnall,

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Team Malmstrom salutes deployed personnel and their families



30 people in five operations  
Current as of Thursday

## WARRIOR WEATHER

Today	Saturday	Sunday
20%	30%	40%
89/54 F	80/54 F	70/50 F

## KHOBAR TOWERS BOMBING

# Malmstrom recalls attack near anniversary

By Capt Richard Essary  
Public affairs office

Nearly five years after the truck bomb that exploded at Khobar Towers, Dhahran, Saudi Arabia, June 25, 1996, the incident still lurks vividly in the minds of Air Force members, even at Malmstrom.

The explosion that killed 19 airmen and injured 300 more is a constant reminder to military members that force protection and anti-terrorism is an absolute necessity in today's world.

Lt Col Bob Dewald, 341st Operations Group deputy commander, related that his memories of the Khobar incident are as vivid as if they had happened yesterday.

He initially heard about the bombing about 10 minutes after taking off from Philadelphia en route overseas to Dhahran to take over the security police squadron there.

Arriving the day after the bombing just before midnight, he was immediately thrown into the security equation.

"I asked them to take me over to the bomb sight that night," Lt Col Dewald said. "It was emotional. It definitely focused me on what our mission was there."

He related that when the bomb went off, it had destroyed a large piece of the compound perimeter, and his job was to rebuild the perimeter and implement security upgrades to counter any additional threat.

Lt Col Dewald said that there are many lessons learned from the incident. He related that the experience taught him a lot about himself. "I really felt good that we pulled together and handled the situation," he said.

One thing that hit home for him was the importance of protecting people. "If you don't protect your people, the mission won't get done," he said. "And that's just as mission essential, if not more so, than anything else we do."

Others at Malmstrom who weren't directly involved with the bombing, but

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